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GRANGE NEWS

NEW CENTURY POMONA GRANGE

New Century Pomona met with Cannon Grange, Wednesday with a fair attendance, considering the big snow storm and a good meeting was held with the principal officers present. The forenoon was devoted to business and the reports of the delegates to the State Grange and the Lecturers' Conference given. Memorial services were held for the departed sisters and brothers the past year. Flowers were placed on the altar for each of the following deceased members: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Warren, Buckfield; David Corliss and F. Palmer; Sumner; Otto M. Richardson, Canton; Clara Dunham, Dixfield; Lillian Woodward, Mexico. The recital of the 23rd Psalm, vocal solo and music made the exercises very impressive. A good literary program and discussions of questions followed. Dr. Twitchell, who was to be the speaker, was unable to be present. Closing thought by the chaplain. The next meeting will be held with West Peru Grange, March 14th, when E. H. Libby will be the speaker.

BETHEL GRANGE

Thursday, Feb. 13, Bethel Grange held its regular session. The ladies served supper as usual. The Master opened the meeting in due season. Opened in form, the committees in charge and every number of last meeting read and approved. Voted to buy some chairs for the hall. The Master appointed a committee on resolutions on the death of Mr. Little. The Lecturer presented the following program:

By All Lecturer's report of Conference Recitation, Grace Day One Act Farce, Grange Day Quotations on Lincoln, Washington and Longfellow

Twenty-nine members and two visitors were present. The next meeting will be March 1st.

ALDER RIVER GRANGE

Alder River Grange, P. O. of H., No. 145, held regular session Feb. 13 with a good attendance. Routine business attended to. Committees appointed:

Finance—Robert Hastings, A. L. Swan, Charles Bartlett, Executive—J. H. Howe, E. A. Trask, Ceylon Kimball.

Charity—Nina Swan, Edith Howe, Mrs. Bartlett.

Junior—Sherman Newton.

Pianist—Ora Swan.

On motion voted each Grange family subscribe for the National Grange Monthly. Worthy Lecturer Robert Hastings presented an interesting program. Question announced for next program, "Resolved, that the New England farmer is better off today than he was at the time of war." Opened by Worthy Master Guy Bartlett.

This Grange has recently purchased a new stove for heating the Grange Hall, for which many thanks are extended Brother George Harrington for a liberal check toward that purpose.

MRS. LAURA A. SANBORN

Mrs. Laura A. Sanborn, wife of Fred W. Sanborn of Norway, died at the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston last Friday night. Mrs. Sanborn had gone to the hospital about a week earlier, and shortly afterward underwent a surgical operation.

Mrs. Sanborn was born in Stafford, N. H., Nov. 9, 1878, and was educated in the schools of that town and at New Hampton Institute, where she graduated in 1897. She married Mr. Sanborn in 1897, and in 1902 they came to Norway and purchased the Advertiser, in the publication of which they have been very successful. Much of the time Mrs. Sanborn has taken an active part in the work of the printing office.

She was a member of Abigail Williams Chapter, D. A. R., and much interested in the work of the organization, having serialized the Chapter at her home only the evening before going to the hospital. She was also a member of Oxford Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, and served several terms as Chaplain of the Chapter, and was installed as co-chaplain about ten days before her death. She is survived by her husband, but no near relatives.

A private funeral was held at Spillman's undertaking room Tuesday afternoon. As is accorded with her express wish, no flowers were sent by friends. The funeral was officiated by Rev. O. E. Howard of the Congregational church, which church Mrs. Sanborn attended.

CARD OF THANKS

"We wish to thank our neighbors and friends, and ladies of the W. E. C. for their kindred and beautiful services rendered in our bereavement."

Mrs. Jessie Brackett, Deane M. Head and family.

WINTER CARNIVAL A BIG SUCCESS

At a meeting of the Gould's Academy, Y. M. C. A., held several weeks ago, it was suggested that a winter carnival be held under the auspices of this organization. The suggestion met with an enthusiastic response from the boys, and committees were appointed to formulate and carry out definite plans. The boys were encouraged in their undertaking by citizens of the town who contributed more than fifty dollars to be used for prizes. The carnival was held on Saturday Feb. 17.

Although it was one of the coldest days of the winter, the spirit of all sportsmanship prevailed and at 9:30 A. M., the time appointed for the events to begin, found several groups of spectators gathered on Brighton Avenue to witness the skijoring. The remainder of the forenoon events took place in the field opposite the Academy campus on Church Street. The afternoon saw

streams of people of all ages, in various colored sport garments, snowshoeing or skiing to the Happold field on the Songe road, while many others who had neither skis nor snowshoes enviedly watched the happy crowds. The events of the day were ably conducted by the committees in charge and every number was put through on schedule time.

At eight o'clock, in the William Blodgett Gymnasium, the prizes were awarded by Principal F. E. Hanscom to the winners in the various contests. These announcements were followed by dancing and cards. Refreshments of ice cream, cake, and coffee were served by the young men. Mrs. E. C. Park, Mrs. F. E. Hanscom, Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven and Miss Ella Litchfield acted as patronesses for the evening.

At eleven o'clock the party broke up, everyone feeling that Bethel's first carnival had been a success, and confident that a second would be hailed with greater interest and enthusiasm. Already the young people are beginning to practice for next year's carnival.

The boys of the Y. M. C. A. wish to thank all those who, in any way, helped to make the carnival a success. They are especially grateful to the men who contributed money for the prizes and to the ladies who provided the delicious cakes for the evening.

The success of the affair was due to the splendid support of the townpeople and to the untiring efforts of the following committee, who worked under the direction of Mr. N. H. Brasier, the mastermiser of Gould's, and Mr. C. F. Peacock, the athletic director. The school regretted very much the absence of Mr. Brasier who was foremost in planning the carnival. He has been at his home in Guilford the past week on account of the illness and death of his father.

The following committees had the affairs in charge:

General Committee—Roy Jones, Clio Brown, Richard Holmes.

Ski Jump—Rodney Lindell, Walter Philbrook, Willard Bean.

Dash—Donald Kidder, Gerald York, Taylor Cough.

Long Distance—Waldo Peaslee, Dowell Sweeney, Lyman Lane.

Popularity—Roy Davis, Fairfield McCann, Kenneth Stanley, Charles Hazelton, Garard Eames.

Entertainment—Rodney Bartlett, Donald Kidder, Arthur Jordan, Warren Brown, Ernest Modell, Freddie Phillips.

Announcer—Palmer McCullum.

Starters—Walter Janass, Clayton Bassett.

Timer—Norman Mason.

Judge—H. C. Howe, E. P. Lyon, Chester Howe, Raymond Chapman.

Prizes were awarded as follows:

Ski Joring—Edder and Jordan.

100 yd snowshoe dash (boys)—W. Philbrook 1st, E. Phillips 2d.

100 yd snowshoe dash (girls)—Hilda Miller 1st, Elizabeth Mason 2d.

100 yd. ski dash (boys)—Hollie and Edward 1st, F. Phillips 2d.

Girls snowshoe obstacle race—Marie Brooks 1st, Ruth Glass 2d.

Boys ski obstacle race—Rodney Larrell 1st, Roy Thorntun 2d.

Long distance obstacle race—Cleo Brown 1st, W. Philbrick 2d, C. Phillips 3d.

Long distance ski race—Jasler George 1st, Walter Berry 2d, Cleo Brown 3d.

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BUMFORD

The Python Sisters will hold an Easter sale and supper on Saturday, March 24 at 6 P. M., Mrs. Bertha Allen acting as chairman of the fancy week table; Mrs. Edie Hall, the grab bag; Mrs. Nettie Kier, the open table; Mrs. May Johnson, the candy booth, and Mrs. H. A. Schwab, chairman of the supper committee.

Gertude Sweetair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sweetair of Crescent Avenue, Virginia District, has recently been operated upon for hip disease at the Children's Hospital in Portland. Mrs. Sweetair is with her daughter.

The Masons, Elmer and Alton Gallant, who have been employed by the Maine Central mill, have left for Chelsea, where they will make their home.

The committee appointed to arrange for the March meeting of the Virginia Parent Teachers Association is composed of John Bennett as chairman, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Reginald Hunt, Mrs. Paul Channing, Mrs. Frank Fye and Miss Ruth Austin.

Hugh J. Chisholm has presented the Rumford Public Library with a set of the new International Encyclopedia, handsomely bound in half leather, with gilt tops. This set which consists of 17 volumes, will be of great assistance to the guidance of the library, and is much appreciated by the trustees, the librarians, and the library patrons.

During the week as many pictures as are available of George Washington, his family, and his home have been mounted and placed on exhibition in the library reading room.

The work of the Junior Red Cross in the public schools of Rumford is being thoroughly organized under the direction of Miss Jessie Clark, physical training director, who has worked out a rather elaborate and interesting program. There is to be appointed to each school a committee of boys and girls to care for this work, distribute the literature which comes from the Red Cross Headquarters in Boston, and prepare literature to be sent away. In this latter connection the boys and girls of Rumford schools will exchange the best of their daily work with schools in far-off lands, thus interesting material for study will be provided both here and abroad. The local organization now has about \$100 to their credit in the bank with which to carry on their activities.

Mr. H. J. Hodderick, building contractor for the town of Rumford, states in his report just presented to the Selectmen and citizens of Rumford that a total of 84 units have been added to the living accommodations of the town this past year, ranging from small attractive double single family houses of the cottage type to the large six roomed buildings with up-to-date and modern appointments. Eleven acres have been made available to the growing business

needs of the town, the larger number of them being in the so-called Waldo Street section. There have also been twelve garage buildings built, ranging from the one stall private to the ten stall public ones. Work during the past nine months has been conservatively placed at \$250,000, which is by far the largest amount of building operations in this line that has been done for a number of years. The Oxford Paper Co. also has enlarged their plant by building a large store room, and a very nice set of offices. Mr. Hodderick thinks that the prospects for another building boom in 1923 are very bright indeed, and that Rumford will forge ahead as one of the busiest, most substantial and fast growing towns in Industrial New England.

Lawrence Thornton, a graduate of Rumford High School, class of 1922, and a freshman at the University of Maine, has recently become a member of the Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at college. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl G. Thornton, Prospect Avenue, this town.

Allen Cutticle of this town and a student at Bates College, is ill with cerebral fever.

On Monday evening, Feb. 26 the last entertainment in the Redpath Lyceum Room will be presented at Municipal Hall. At this time Elwood Tewksbury Bailey, a most popular and talented speaker will deliver a lecture. He has been a great student of social and individual problems, and as a welfare worker has addressed hundreds of thousands of soldiers, both in the fighting zones and in camp. It is said that he is very eloquent in his delivery, and that his lectures are full of human things that are really interesting.

A new electric sign has been erected over the Congress Cafe. This sign was built by the Alter Sign Shop and is one of the largest in the town. The Post Office has addressed hundreds of thousands of soldiers, both in the fighting zones and in camp. It is said that he is very eloquent in his delivery, and that his lectures are full of human things that are really interesting.

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REGISTRATION OF MILK DEALERS

Licenses to sell milk in the state expire on April 1, 1923. All milk dealers, under Chapter 37, Section 5, of the Revised Statutes, whose license after that date for which renewal applications have not been made, and who are still selling milk, will be doing so unlawfully and at their own risk. Milk inspectors are continually being called upon to assist in sifting out and approving these applications.

In order that all licenses may be renewed before April 1st, applications for renewal are being mailed to all dealers on February 15th or as soon after as possible. A supply of application blanks will be sent to each milk inspector in due time. This will allow sufficient time to have all applications in this office before the expiration of the 1922 license.

It will be noted that most of the questions on the old application have been eliminated. In place of these questions the license is issued subject to the accompanying conditions. It is planned by the Dairy Division to visit each licensed dealer some time during the year in order to assist as it can in obtaining satisfactory methods of production and handling of milk and cream, to offer suggestions, and where necessary to require that the conditions of the license be complied with. Violators of these requirements will be liable to the revocation of their license. It is hoped that local milk inspectors can accompany the state inspector on these visits thereby working together more efficiently.

The state department issues to dealers no license unless the application has been signed by the milk inspector of the town where the product is sold if there is one. It is recommended that to comply with the duties of the local

inspector as established by Section 13 of Chapter 37, requiring inspectors shall keep a record of parishes selling milk and cream, within their jurisdiction, that a list be compiled from the applications signed by the inspector. There has been considerable confusion in the past as to who is a dealer. Section 5 of Chapter 37 very clearly states that "Any person—who shall sell or deliver milk or cream as a business to—any person—hotel, restaurant, boarding house or public place, shall be considered a dealer" with the exception of "milk or cream delivered to a creamery, butter or cheese factory." It is considered that the terms "as a business" includes all persons selling to a regular customer whether in quart quantities or more and whether delivered or not. Inspectors are requested to notify this office of all violations of these provisions.

FORREST A. BARBOUR,
State Dairy Inspector.

CONDITIONS OF WHICH LICENSEES TO SELL MILK ARE GRANTED

Licenses to sell milk or cream in the State of Maine are issued subject to the following conditions:

COWS

No milk or cream shall be sold from a known reactor to the tubercle test, or that show disease of any kind.

The udder and flanks of all milk cows shall be kept clean.

STABLES

Barns shall be light, well ventilated and clean. Floors, walls and ceilings shall be light and free from dirt.

Milk shall be removed from the barn and disposed of in such a way as not to be a source of danger to the milk, either as a breeding place for flies or otherwise.

MILK ROOM

A milk room shall be provided that is kept clean, light and well screened; no other materials shall be kept there in nor shall it be used for any other purpose than the handling of milk.

The milk room shall be free from contaminating excreta.

UTENSILS

Bottles, cans and all milking utensils shall be sterilized each time before use, with boiling water or steam.

Flasks and jugs shall be cleaned directly before milking.

HANDLING MILK

All persons handling milk shall have their hands and clothes clean at times of milking.

No milk shall be handled by persons having a communicable disease such as typhoid fever, scarlet fever or diphtheria.

No milk shall be strained in the milk room; it shall be cooled immediately after being milked and stored at a temperature not over 45 degrees.

No bloody, milky or watery milk shall be sold.

NEWRY

W. N. Powers was at South Paris last week attending court.

There was no mail here last Friday and Saturday as the roads were so bad it was impossible for teams to get through.

Parsonage teams came out of the woods last Saturday and went to Newry.

Leon Thomas came home from Peter's camp last Wednesday afternoon.



BOY SCOUTS

(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

HONOR ROOSEVELT'S MEMORY

On the anniversary of the birth of Theodore Roosevelt, October 27, scouts in every part of the country united in paying tribute to the memory of their chief scout citizen and his acutile qualities of virility, integrity, square dealing, public service and practical

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BOSTON MARKET REVIEW

Week Ending February 17, 1923.

Prepared by U. S. Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS:

Dressed Poultry Market Steady to firm with supplies liberal. Fairly active trade continued throughout the week at usual prices. Poultry (4-5 lbs.) 19-21c; (5-6 lbs.) 22-23c; (6-7 lbs.) 24-25c; (7-8 lbs.) 26-28c; (8-9 lbs.) 28-30c. Live Poultry firm with only moderate receipts; Poultry having best call. Chickens show large percentage of rejects show steady and scarce. Poultry 22-28c; Chicken 22-26c; Leghorns 18-22c. Some live fowl firms at higher prices due to short supplies and higher prices in Chicago and New York. Buyers are cautious and are not buying beyond immediate requirements. Dealers in some cases are holding goods for higher prices while others are free sellers at quotations. Extras via Northern extras assorted sizes spruce take \$1.15/cwt. Eggs: The fresh egg market is strong with prices higher on all grades. Colored eggs are in good production and lighter receipts come in with an exceptionally good demand caused lighter street stocks and a sharp advance in prices on Wednesday and Thursday. Storage eggs are having a better call with prices advancing in line with fresh eggs. Fresh eggs: Seconds 35-37c; Firsts 33-40c; Choice 34-36c. Refrigerated: Seconds 37-38c; Firsts 39-40c. Cheese trade has been quiet with very few sales reported. Buyers taking small lots for immediate requirements and not inclined to speculate. Dealers holding firm for outside prices on any desirable lots. Held Twins 27-28c; Dairies 25-28c; Young Americans 25-28c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES:

Trading quiet with supplies of most commodities in excess of demand. Many boxes were shipped int New York A crate of strawberries from California artichokes steady at \$5.00-\$5.25. Fresh artichokes with variety sale reported. Buyers taking small lots for immediate requirements and not inclined to speculate. Dealers holding firm for outside prices on any desirable lots. Held Twins 27-28c; Dairies 25-28c; Young Americans 25-28c.

MASSACHUSETTS: Shipped int New York A crate of strawberries from California artichokes steady at \$5.00-\$5.25. Fresh artichokes with a few large counts higher. Cabbage in heavy supply, with over 40 cars on track, best prices held. New York State Dairies 22-25c and Texas cabbage mostly \$4.00 a barrel. California cauliflower less plentiful and higher at \$3.50-\$3.75 a crate. Celery less plentiful and lower at \$2.00-\$2.50 a crate. Florida lettuce \$1.10-2.00 a crate. Morel kale 50c at \$1.75-2.00 a barrel. Western onions dull at mostly \$2.75 per doz. bag. Maine potatoes lower at \$1.10-1.25 per 100 lb. sack. Texas spinach weaker at \$1.00-\$1.25 a bushel basket. Florida strawberries several boxes a quart. Native Baldwin apples steady at \$1.25-1.50 a bushel box. Iroquois cucumbers lower at \$7.00-15.00 a box. Lettuce lower at \$0.75-1.00 a box. Radishes steady at \$1.50-2.00 a box. Root vegetables steady. The following prices a bushel: Beets \$1.50-1.75; carrots \$1.50-2.00; parsnips \$1.75-2.00; turnips \$1.50-1.75.

Industries in Massachusetts are increasing their facilities for production. A survey just made by the Associated Industries of Massachusetts shows more than \$20,000,000 spent during 1922 in expansion. This includes additions to plants and the purchase of new machinery. These enlargements have resulted in the employment of 11,377 additional workers and the addition of 3,733,000 square feet of space to factory facilities.

"I guess I got you; I hope so, anyway," coolly remarked Loren R. Squires as he turned away after firing a 22-calibre bullet into the stomach of his father, John G. Squires, a West Bennington, Vt., farmer. "Yes you got me that time," gasped the older man and lapsed into unconsciousness, dying in less than 10 minutes. The slayer was found lying in the snow, dead by his own hand. According to the son's widow, improper advances by the grandfather toward a grandmother were responsible for the double tragedy. The elder Squires was known as the "cabbage king" of Vermont.

The farmers from western Massachusetts made their annual pilgrimage to the State House to urge repeal of the daylight saving law, and they were supported in their claims by representatives of the railroads and theatrical interests. Senator John W. Hildreth of Greenfield directed the fight for repeal before the legal affairs committee, and introduced more than a score of men and women who protested that the law imposed hardship on the minority for the pleasure of the majority. One of the new arguments put forward was that the farmers of Massachusetts lost \$3,000,000 in the hay crop last summer because of the law.

A Massachusetts cow of Ayshire breed has just established a new championship. Harperslade Spicy Lane is her name, and she belongs to the Alta Crest Farms, Inc., Spencer. She has just completed a test as a 12-year-old in which she established a year's record of 20,962.3 pounds of milk, containing 365.21 pounds of fat. Her roll of honor production of 17,860 pounds of milk with 230.61 pounds of fat distanced the 300-day credit of any other cow of her age. This has been exceeded only by the production of one cow on our age. This cow is her stable mate, Douglas Hall Dandy 2d, whose recent champion roll of heavier mark is 18,266 pounds milk, 2,745 pounds of fat. Harperslade Spicy Lane was born in Harperslade, Dunsden, Scotland, in April, 1922. She was imported to this country in 1922.

Prohibition has done away with political corruption in Portland, according to Sheriff King F. Graham, in the course of an address before the Maine legislature. He asserted Portland had not had an honest election for years before 1917, when坐down, which he asserted furnished money for illegal casting of votes, were closed. Fifty percent of the prisoners in the county jail today are there for liquor law violations, he said, with not 7 percent confined for drunkenness.

NEWS HAPPENINGS OF GENERAL INTEREST

Items Gleaned From All Parts of New England

Three-quarters of the village of McIndoe, Vt., including the whole business section, has been wiped out by fire. No casualties are reported, but more than 50 persons are homeless. The New Hampshire Senate by a vote of 12 to 10, with party lines badly disrupted, passed the Senate bill repealing the direct primary law and restoring the old caucus system of nominating candidates, discarded in 1911.

Postmaster James Kinsley of West Acton, Mass., and his twin brother, Richard Kinsley, are soon to meet for the first time in 45 years. The postmaster, who will retire, intends to visit Richard in California in the near future.

George E. Merrick, who had been in the Lawrence Jail since Feb. 3, under \$10,000 bonds, in connection with the alleged attempt to dynamite the Knipe shoe factory, Ward Hill district, Harvard on Jan. 4, has been released.

Solomon Ox, a merchant in Milford, Mass., has filed in Worcester Probate Court a petition for permission to change his name to Smith, which he claims is the name he is most generally called by his friends, relatives and raffaeles.

Rafaelle Sansilia, before Judge Bishop in the superior criminal court, Boston, for carrying a gun, was only fined \$250, but was given 20 minutes to get the money. Sansilia received many congratulations, post cards, and money gifts during the day.

Word has been received in town of the passing of Miss Abbie F. Carpenter, at her home in Portland, where she had been in ill health all winter. Miss Carpenter was a former prominent Westbrook resident and had spent her summers in Andover for many years. A few years ago she built a beautiful house on Main Street where she lived during the summer with her cousins, Mrs. Abby Poor and Miss Mary Barker. Miss Carpenter leaves many friends in town who sincerely mourn their loss. She was very much interested in the Congregational church here, and in all its activities giving largely of her time and money to its help. She was a woman of rare mental ability and very lovable. The funeral was held at her late home in Portland, Saturday. Burial was in the family lot there.

At the regular meeting of Lone Mountain Grange held Saturday, Feb. 10, the following entertainment was given:

Singing, Grange Chip Basket, Members of the Grange Reading, W. W. Perkins Paper, E. M. Bailey

An interesting letter from the late Wm. Poor of Seattle, Washington, was read by the Lecturer. Song, Orange

At the winter planning meeting of the Farm Bureau, held in January, the following made attendance, total pieces of work planned, and committees elected for the men's division in Andover were: Attendance, 20; pieces of work, 50; chairman, P. A. Milton; secretary, Roger L. Thurston; crops and orchard, L. C. Akers; dairy, J. F. Talbot; farm management and poultry, Walter L. Hall.

Friends in town were grieved to hear of the sudden death of Mr. William C. Poor on Friday of last week at the home of his sister, Mrs. Addie Gregg, at Seattle, Washington, where he was spending the winter. Mr. Poor, who was the son of the late Sylvanus and Eliza (Brown) Poor, was born in this town. He is survived by three sons, Fred Poor of Chicago, Charles O. of Montreal, and Samuel S. of Akron, Ohio; one daughter, Mrs. Nellie Hoffman of Norwell, Pa., a number of grandchildren and two sisters, Mrs. Addie Gregg, who is critically ill at Seattle, and Mrs. Mary Poor of Dorchester, Mass. Mr. Poor was about 75 years of age. He had spent his summers in Andover for several years and leaves many friends here. The body will be brought to Andover for burial in the spring.

Oscar Damon remains very ill. Lake Mountain Grange will hold its regular all day meeting in the hall Saturday.

SOUTH ALBANY

DEFERRED

Lena Kimball has been editing the Hutchinson Post for W. B. Cummings, C. M. Fullerton and others.

Verna Mills from North Albany is working for Robert Hill and boarding with my brother, Oscar Mills.

C. M. Fullerton is confined to the house by lameness in his knee. Dr. Hubbard was called Sunday.

Mrs. Cecil Kimball is ill with a bad cold.

Bernard Allen is working for Mr. Hill, driving team.

Marjorie Canwell is helping Mrs. Herman Cassells with her housework.

Mrs. W. H. Cummings is caring for little Miss Madeline Bird, during her mother's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray G. Wardwell attended the dance at No. Waterford, Saturday night.

Mrs. Fred Berberer is having the prevailing temper, but it came better at this writing.

ANDOVER
Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mills were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bartlett of Norway last week, while court was in session. Mr. Mills was a member of the grand jury.

About two feet of snow fell Tuesday and Wednesday of last week followed by high winds which made the roads almost impassable.

Mr. Leon Spinney, Supt. of Schools, was in town Friday and Saturday.

Ralph Akers, who has been sealing lumber at Wentworth's Location, has returned home.

Miss Ellen Akers is assisting Mrs. C. W. Robinson with her work.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Akers have been ill with the grippe.

The North Andover Whist Club was postponed Saturday evening on account of the storm but will meet this week with Nelson Campbell.

Henry L. Poor has returned from Lewiston with a nice pair of horses.

Fred Hutchinson, who has been working at Middle Dam, is at his home.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church met with Mrs. Ralph Thurston, Wednesday afternoon.

On Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 20, a delightful occasion was the surprise party given Mrs. Persis Hutchins on her 80th birthday at the home of her nephew, Mr. C. H. Roberts, at North Andover. About twenty relatives were present. Delightful refreshments were served and a large birthday cake was presented her. Mrs. Hutchins received many congratulations, post cards, and money gifts during the day.

Mr. Riley of Portland, was introduced by the President, H. F. Richardson.

Miss DeShon was warmly greeted by her friends in Canton, where she was a former resident. She was a guest of Miss Ethel W. Russell while here.

Mrs. M. B. Packard has been visiting

her daughter, Mrs. Thompson A. Potter,

and family of Portland, called there by

the illness and Mr. and Mrs. Potter.

Mrs. Evie Burke is caring for the sick ones at the home of Milton Luce, Hartford.

Hon. John P. Swasey is ill with the prevailing epidemic.

A social was held at the schoolhouse Friday evening.

Arthur H. Ray is ill with the grippe. Philadore Daigle and Hartley Nickerson were in Stamford, Saturday. The former is taking lessons on the violin of Frederick Adell.

Mrs. Cora Fuller and R. E. McCollister are attending court at South Paris as jurors. Mrs. McCollister is also visiting in Paris.

Dr. F. W. Morse, who has been ill

with the grippe, is able to be out.

H. A. Swett is visiting his son, C. A.

Swett, and family of Salem, Mass., for a week or two.

The Universal Circle, which was to

be entertained by Mrs. A. H. Ray,

Thursday, has been indefinitely postponed.

Linwood Darrington has been at home from Lewiston for a few days.

Fred Standley is ill with the grippe.

Lucius Oaks died Tuesday forenoon

at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. L.

Savage, with whom he had lived for

four months. He was born in Rangeley, April 14, 1857, a son of John and Julia Shepard Oaks. He is survived by a wife and five children, Urban Oaks and Mrs. C. A. Walker of Strong, Mrs. F. P. Moody and Magdalene Oaks of Farmington and Mrs. Savage of Canton. Interment was at Rangeley, his former home.

Mrs. Evelyn Dunn is visiting in Auburn.

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BOWDOIN COLLEGE CLASS OF 1873 TO CELEBRATE

At the commencement at Bowdoin College the coming June the class of 1873 will observe the 50th anniversary of its graduation. Of the thirty graduates fifteen are living and of these one is a resident of Bethel, H. C. Addison E. Herrick. Mr. Herrick a Judge, as he is known, has been a resident of Bethel for many years and during this time he has held many offices of importance. He was Judge of Oxford County Probate Court for many years, and is at the present time Treasurer of the Bethel Savings Bank.

LOCKETT'S MILLS

Grandson Bartlett was home from Bowdoin Friday morning.

Uncle Tolbert and Uncle Robert were in Dexter on business the week end.

Mrs. Alice Knudson and Mrs. Maynard Knudson were to Norway, visiting relatives, recently.

Charles Ellingsen and wife have been extracting relatives from Norway.

Mrs. Donald Thibodeau visited to Portland the week end.

Elmer Knudson and Clifford Dyer were in Norway's Pond, Sunday.

Quite a few families are ill with the prevailing epidemic.

SOUTH BETHEL

Bessie Mason and Willis Walker have started construction of the two story mill at Lockett's Mills.

Frank Knudson was at Lockett's Mills last day last week.

Mrs. Tongles was at Lester's Mill, recently.

Howard Fullier, who has been board ing at Ernest Mason's the past few months, has gone to Lester's Mills to board at Charles Colbridge's.

Edward Chase was at Lockett's Mills, recently.

Saturday.
Chester Cummings of Bethel was in town last week.

AS IT SEEKS

The Preacher—It's a cruel world. The more houses built, the greater is the demand for building material, and the higher price which in turn makes for higher rents.
The Friend—Yes, but—
"On the other hand, the fewer houses built, the greater is the demand for houses and the higher the rents."

PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN

The Merchant is wondering, if there isn't so well, where his business has gone to. The Poorer it gets, the less he Advertises and the Less he Advertisers, the Poorer it gets. How long will it take him to go Busted at this Rate?

PROFLANITY AND GOSIP

Below are found extracts of sermons given some weeks ago by two ministers of Bethel on the habits of profanity and gossip, which are so prevalent. The extracts are printed as signed articles.

PROFLANITY

What seems to any man of right mind most openly disgusting, even if it is not a primary consideration in the third commandment, is the common practice of profanity. This word may stand for swearing, cursing and other language directed to God and men's sensitive moral sense. Men seem to refuse to measure the magnitude of this sin. But will not the profane man try to measure the shock which cursing and swearing give to God by the jolt they give to the sensibilities of his neighbors or friend who receives the name of God? Can the habit he condoned on any account whatsoever! Can a scrupulous man say, "I mean nothing by it?" Can he say, "I don't know I am doing it?" The writer has proven over and over again that a man does "mean something" by his curse, does "know when he curses." Only the lowest and vilest of the profane slip the filth of their bodies and hearts into the faces of decent men, men who disapprove profanity, who are in their presence. We hear men philosophize thus regarding the courageous, practice: "Profanity is merely poverty of language, lack of an extensive vocabulary of good words. It is not a sinful habit." Nonsense! The habit is not by any means confined to the uneducated. Here the linguistic consideration is very small. The man whose talk consists the baseness of the lower regions and then throws into it the sacred names of God, Jesus, Christ and all manner of blasphemous tongue-savers and who then pitches the abominable concoction into the stream of his speech in the form of vulgar oaths, curses, imprecations, and vile epithets is simply casting forth the callousness and degeneracy and depravity of his character.

God counts the offense grave. The proof of this is that clean folks universally feel revulsion to it. The swearing word is always below par in a decent neighborhood. Though otherwise he may be a fine fellow, if this is a habit of his, all men discount his breeding. Something is wrong about his inner makeup, but not only does the neighborhood do by a cursing man full value of life but himself can not, does not respect himself. The practice of profane and vulgar utterance is inevitable upon a man's soul. He feels he is exonerated, spanking his boxer with filth. He has the sense of being repeatedly stained. This third commandment—it is not written in a man's heart! Tables of stone or brass, on which Moses wrote the code, according to the story, all the laws of God abide in man's nature. What is the proof that the Lord will not hold the swearer guilty? The Lord sees to it that the man who indulges in profane utterance does not kill himself guilty. He feels as exonerated in the sled whose name he takes to vain. He is sure he will not for the consequences which always follow the breaking of a law of God.

The prayer of the publicans of Jesus' parable is the prayer the swearing man may say, "God be merciful to me a sinner." God will be sorry for that and forgive—H. T. Akerblad.

HOLD YOUR TONGUE

Perfected—
The little states that, "Whatever is done there is no room for much of it." Men people who judge to perfect do so for earthly goods. There are no such earthly goods than the common necessities of Anglo-Saxon man. The man who perfects God's name above the task of creation and dies in the thinking over of a dare devil.

Men and people who judge to perfect the service of their country especially by taking up arms against the enemy from their country. When we are exposed to danger, it can seem like a gift of a grace that will save us. People who talk about the nation, God's gifts are a source of time consumed and to be exacted that longer care bear with the negative, for by continually the person may not the 1/3 of the useful uses of that leader. How frequently in stores and in public places we hear after the judgment those we hear. How sure is the atmosphere of the room where bad things are said of absent people. We are too far off things. If a man or woman comes to you pointing out the evil or unseemly things to another, that man or woman will often refer your faults to another before your back.

If all that we say to a single day, when over a week left yet, when passed each night, in close black and white, friends prove quite reading as done, and then just suddenly, a few days we need now, we find that we have words through:

BETHEL AND VICINITY

(Continued from page 1)

Mrs. Arthur Drinch, who has been ill, is improving.

Mrs. J. C. Billings is ill at her home on Mechanic Street.

Messrs. F. L. Edwards and Alton Bartlett were in town over the week end.

Mr. William McCrea was confined to the house a few days last week by illness.

Mrs. Bion Brown of South Paris was the guest of her family the first of the week.

Mr. Marshall Hastings has returned from Oquenzie where he has had a log job.

Mr. and Mrs. Rich Brown are receiving felicitations on the birth of a son, Marshall Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Cross are being congratulated upon the arrival of a son, Thursday, Feb. 15.

Lieut. Col. C. McLaughlin of Boston was in town Monday, to inspect the local National Guard.

Mr. Nathan Moore has returned from New York, where he attended the Wood Turners' Convention.

Friends of C. L. Davis are glad to see him on the street again after an illness of several weeks.

Friends of Miss Ruth Verill are very sorry to learn that she is in a hospital in Portland for treatment.

The Academy Herald is off the press and copies can be secured of the business manager, Fairfield McCann.

The snow storm of last Wednesday and Thursday added fourteen inches more to our already abundant supply.

We have just the right kind of a table you want to set your radio on. Young's Variety Store. Adv.

The regular meeting of Brown Corps will be held Thursday evening and a Washington programme will be presented.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williamson have finished work for J. P. Skillings at No. Newry and returned to their home in town.

Mr. Harry Bartlett of Berlin, N. H., was in town one day last week as the guest of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. John Swan.

Friends of Miss Gwendolyn Stearns are glad to know that she has returned from the Troll Hospital in Biddeford, and is making a fast recovery from her recent surgical operation.

Mr. Brasler, our salsmaster, has been at his home in Biddeford for several days. Teachers and students sympathize with Mr. Brasler in the loss of his father, whose death occurred last week.

There wouldn't we sigh, and wouldn't we cry
A great deal less talking to sit
And I more than half think that many a kick
Would be another in life's tangled thread,
If half that we say in a single day
Were forever left around.

C. R. Oliver.

MINORS FROM THE WOODS

There's a little town in Maine,

Far in the Oxford hills,

That is perched upon the mountain-side,

Among the rocks and rills,

Far from the noise of city,

Eternal stillness in its woods,

That bounds Umbagog's shore.

The little rabbit, fearful one,

Hides by the old tree trunk,

And the foxes pass with careful tread,

And the hedgehog and the skunk.

Afraid of these? Oh me,

There's nothing there to fear,

You need no gun to protect yourself,

From the wood folks you'll meet here,

And ok, the bird songs overhead!

The flowers at your feet,

The velvet carpet that you tread,

Here earth and heaven meet.

Here lying 'neath the spreading tree,

Watching wailing clouds go by,

With friendly life on every hand—

And God's orchestra on high—

You surely must forget for awhile

All trouble and all strife—

And say deep, deep within yourself,

Here's life, abundant life.

M. Cairns Abbott.

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WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING, 1923

To D. M. Forbes, a citizen of the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford.

GREETING:—In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Bethel, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Odeon Hall, in said Town on Monday, the fifth day of March, 1923, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear and act on the report of the several town officers.

Art. 4. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose one member of the School Committee for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To choose the method of collecting taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To choose a Collector of Taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To establish the price the Road Commissioner shall receive for his services.

Art. 12. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To choose all other necessary town officers.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the purpose of paying tuition in secondary schools and over expenditure.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for text-books for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the repair of schoolhouses for the year 1923.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for school supplies for the ensuing year.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the superintending school committee to maintain schools in the Middle Intervale, Milton Bethel, North Bethel, and Northwest Bethel districts.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to have music taught in our public schools and raise money to pay for same.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote and raise money to build cement walks at South Bethel school.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote and raise money to build cement walks at West Bethel school.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to build fence around school lot at South Bethel, and raise money for same.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote and raise money to build fence around lot at West Bethel school.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to repair North Bethel schoolhouse and raise money for same.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to repair Middle Intervale schoolhouse and raise money for same.

Art. 27. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the repair of roads and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 28. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for winter roads and over expenditure for the ensuing year.

Art. 29. To see if the town cares to buy two Ford trucks for road work and raise money to pay for same.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State aid as provided in Section 20 of Chapter 139, Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$666.00 for the improvement of the section of State aid road as outlined in the report to the State Highway Commission, in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of highways.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote and raise money and what sum for the maintenance and patrol of State and State aid highway during the ensuing year, within the limits of the town, under the provision of Section 9, Chapter 139, Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to buy two or more snow rollers to be used to break winter roads, and raise money to pay for same.

Art. 34. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the support of poor, and over expenditure, for the ensuing year.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for paying town debt and interest.

Art. 36. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for the observance of Memorial Day, said money to be expended by Brown Post, G. A. R.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to raise money to pay Collector's bond for the ensuing year.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote and raise money to pay Treasurer's bond for the ensuing year.

Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Treasurer to hire money, if necessary, to pay outstanding bills.

Art. 40. To see what sum of money the town will vote and raise for miscellaneous expenses for the ensuing year.

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Art. 42. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$400 to procure from the Bethel Library Association the free use of the books during the ensuing year for all the inhabitants of the town under such restrictions and regulations as shall ensure the safety and good usage of the books.

Art. 43. To see if the town will reimburse Miss Fannie Mason 1-2 the cost of the cement to walk in front of her estate and raise \$75.00 for this purpose.

Art. 44. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$500 the same to be spent in the building of cement sidewalk, location of which shall be decided at this meeting.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote to build a sewer line to connect the estates in the Park of H. C. Rowe, Frank King and W. W. Hastings, and appropriate \$50.00 for building same.

Art. 46. To see if the town will authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of 12 to be known as the Budget Committee.

Art. 47. To see if the town will vote and raise the sum of \$337.50, the same being the town's portion of rent of hall, rooms and lockers for Company of National Guard, 1st Bat., 3rd Infantry, to comply with Public Laws, Chapter 16, Sections 90 to 94, inclusive.

Any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings theron.

Given under our hands this 10th day of February, A. D. 1923.

FRANK A. BROWN,
W. H. THURSTON,
F. B. HOWE,

Selectmen of Bethel.

The Selectmen will be in their office on Saturday, the 3rd day of March, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters of the town; and hearing and deciding cases of applicants claiming the right to have their names on the voting list.

A true copy—Attest:

D. M. FORBES.

THE CAT PROBLEM

From the standpoint of bird conservation and consequent insect destruction, this problem was recently discussed by Dr. H. M. Twitchell of Portland, Maine, before the Cumberland restraint of the domestic cat, and the County Audubon Society and their humane destruction of all vagrant cats, guests at a dinner given at the Fair—especially those about sporting camps month—Hotel on Jan. 26, 1923. The abandoned homes.

Some form of license would do away with vagrant city cats which are very numerous. It is my strong conviction that there should be a state license on both cat and birds in their relations.

In conserving bird life, it would be a humane method of caring for the neglected cats also. I invite an unbiased consideration of this subject from all thoughtful persons.

INCOME TAX FACTS

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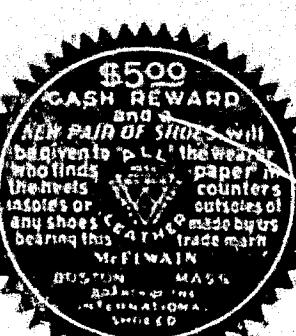
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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. S. T. Acheshach, Pastor

Thursday, Feb. 22:

3 o'clock: Meeting of the Ladies' Club with Mrs. Whitney.

6:15: Rehearsal of the chorus.

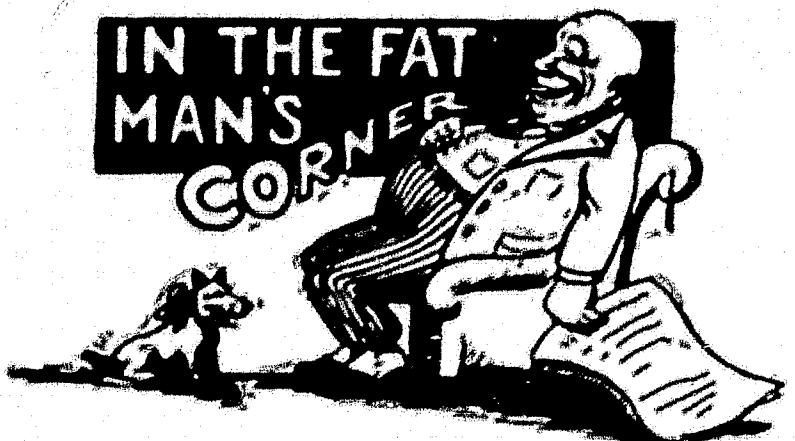
Sunday, Feb. 25:

10:45: Worship. The series of talks on Nehemiah will be continued. Theme, Consultation.

12:30: Church school session.

4:00: Junior C. E. meeting at the home of Mr. H. C. Howe. Leader, Miss Elizabeth Chapman.

7:00: Evening worship. The pastor will give his postponed talk on Dr. Stearns, the beloved physician of Norway. All our people should form the acquaintance of this great Christian doctor.



IN THE FAT MAN'S CORNER

The **FAT MAN** has remind the editor that he will make this corner the brightest and happiest spot in the whole paper. The **FAT MAN** is glad to have his readers and his kind friends. Domestic and other paragraphs—those things that get everyone in high good humor and leave one abounding laughter. The more, the better, and he will do at the rate of one column a place for them when suitable for 1½ columns. Unsuitable contributions will not be accepted unless accompanied by advanced stamped envelope. The **FAT MAN**. EDITORIAL STAFF: **Editor**, **General News**, **Business**, **Society**.

Boggs—“I shall never marry me—
but I meet a woman who is my direct opposite.”

Mabel—“Mabel, Boggs, there are a lot to look to the dead wife through a window. He tried to reverse the charges.” American Legion Weekly

The Legion has decided that a man has a right to get drunk in his own house. That ought to give a tremendous impetus to the “Home Town Beer Home.” American Legion Journal

Alcoholics are asking permission to drink like Americans when they are abroad.

Washington Daily News

(Making conversation after a very long vacation.) “I wish I had money to travel.”

The meeting for her husband: “How much do you need?”

WPA Photographic Film

Mr. Brady says, “The secret of health is to eat a great many raw vegetables.”

But how can we keep up a morale?

Richardson Home, Deep

“Boggs from a Pint of 30 Cents.” Headline

That's not so bad. It's when they are 60 cents and believe that “gets out” — Chicago Daily Reporter

A troupe, entering the gate of a rich lady's villa, burst down on the lawn, and began eating grass. The old lady, noticing it, pointedly performed, came out and said, “My good man, are you so hungry that you eat grass?”

“You're right I am,” said the troupe.

“Well, come,” said the lady. “Come sit on the fountain steps, the grass grows at the bottom there.”

American Legion Weekly

WEST PARK

MONDAY MORNING, Feb. 12, the Park Teachers Association met at the schoolhouse and formulated further plans for work. The meeting was an educational and recreative. Several hundred flags of their Posts attended and presented the annual budget very definitely, separating each article and clearly showing why the budget should be passed at the long meeting without discussion. This is the work of the adults and not the children. Clarence G. Martin, chairman of the building committee, presented plans for the remodeling and addition to the school, which showed generally planning to these points, and the financial question seemed to be well in hand of the teachers. About forty were present. The census and rolls were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chase were given a hearty cheer in the form of a barbecue party at their W.M.C. Hall on Wednesday evening. Many pretty and useful gifts were received by the young people. The census and rolls were served.

The children of the Evangelist Mrs. de Schmid enjoyed a Valentine party at their W.M.C. Hall on Wednesday afternoon. The census was served by the superintendent, Mrs. L. O. Bates.

P. C. Mathews has been ill from grippe. He just went, and nothing to his bed, but is improving.

The Rev. Frank Morris at the Second W.M.C. Thursday evening was largely attended and a very successful affair.

The Rev. Frank Morris at the Second W.M.C. Friday morning was largely attended. It was a color service, and no services were held at the Deacons Hall except Mrs. H. P. Abbott gave the address, and that was appropriate.

Monte Young of Oxford attended the funeral of S. W. Foster, Monday. This is Mr. Young was entertained at L. P. Glavin's during his stay in town.

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The AMERICAN LEGION

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TO HELP COMBAT ILLITERACY

American Legion Auxiliary Called Upon by National Chairman to Aid in Educational Work.

Under the leadership of Mrs. J. E. Baird of Lincoln, Neb., thousands of members of the American Legion Auxiliary assisted the Legion in its American Education week program, December 3 to 9, inclusive. Mrs. Baird is chairman of the auxiliary's national Americanism committee.

Appealing to the auxiliary's 200,000 members, Mrs. Baird made the following statement:

“We, who gave our sons, brothers and husbands to battle for the enlightenment of the world, are deeply interested in the Legion's efforts to combat illiteracy and ignorance which have been revealed as one of our principal sources of national danger.”

The war draft tests, showing that men from twenty-one to thirty years of age were six per cent illiterate and the subsequent discovery that the United States stands eleventh among the great nations in point of literacy have alarmed the good women of this country and they are eager to remedy this deplorable state of affairs.”

Mrs. Baird also pointed out that 22.4 per cent of those examined for the draft were found to be physically unfit and urged that the relatives of veterans assist the Legion in its program to install playgrounds and to establish facilities for physical exercise among school children.

Among the principal activities of the auxiliary women during American Education week was a campaign urging the importance of regular visits to the schools.

LEGION MAN TRAINS PIGEONS

Stuart Cohen of St. Paul, Minn., an Expert in Teaching the Feathers and Messengers.

Training hunting pigeons is the hobby of Stuart W. Cohen, a member of the American Legion in St. Paul, Minn.

A pigeon lover since childhood Cohen has been training the birds since 1910. His people have flown successfully at all distances up to 1,400 miles. A number of pigeons trained by Cohen are now assisting forest rangers in preventing work at a post established at Tower, Minn.

Cohen sent a carrier pigeon to Virginia, Minn., recently, where a passenger was attacked to it to return to St. Paul. When out, its tail drooping and its feathers shaggy, the pigeon came back to St. Paul. The message was gone. In place of the little bird was a severe scratch and wound. The feathers were shaggy and ruffled, indicating it had encountered forest fires in the northern part of the state. Cohen estimated that the pigeon must have gone two or three hundred miles out of its course when the smoke of the forest fires confused its sense of direction.

Cohen spent most of his army service at Camp Forest, Ga.

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ROAD BUILDING

COLORADO DOUBLES MILEAGE

More Than 60 Per Cent of Roads Have Been Improved During Past Seven Years.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Colorado has more than doubled its mileage of improved road in the last seven years, according to the bureau of public roads of the United States Department of Agriculture, which has made an extensive investigation as to the highway mileage and revenue of the state.

In 1914 there was 13,298 miles of improved road and a total of 30,780 miles, while in 1921 the improved mileage had increased to 29,540 miles and a total of 48,143 miles.

The improved road at the present time is classified as follows: Graded and drained, 24,941 miles; sand, clay and gravel, 4,007 miles; macadam, 181 miles; other types of surfacing, 71 miles.

While most of the improved road in this state is what is known as low-type road, the fact that more than 60

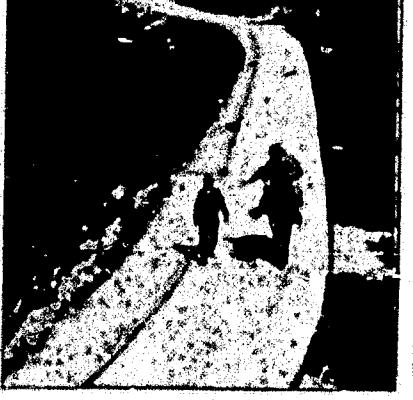
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improved constitutes a record that will be envied by many.

For each square mile of area the road revenue amounts to \$35.50, and there is one-half mile of road.

The total road revenue amounts to \$3.85 per capita, \$182.07 per mile of road, and totals \$3,703,443.

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The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE
XLV.—OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA holds the record for rapid growth. It was in the first term of President Benjamin Harrison that Oklahoma was opened up. Good farm land available under the Homestead Act was difficult to find so the United States bought from the Indians, who had been segregated in Indian territory, a large tract of some 40,000 square miles that had been used largely by the Indians as pasture for their cattle and horses. This was called Oklahoma, a word meaning "fine country," and was arranged to be ready for sale to homesteaders at 12 o'clock noon on April 22, 1890. Troops were placed on guard to prevent any settlers entering before that time for more than 100,000 "boomers" as they were called, came from all over the country to obtain farms or places for business. On the stroke of the hour, bugles sounded and the mad rush by men, women and children to locate claims began. The government had arranged land officers at many places at which claims could be filed for the farms or city lots, and all that day these were hedged by fighting mobs to register their selections. Before nightfall hundreds of farms were staked out and Oklahoma City and Guthrie were well on their way to become cities.

Thus was developed this region which came into the possession of the United States as a part of the Louisiana Purchase in 1803 and which was set aside for so many years as Indian country. Previous to the formation of Oklahoma territory, congress had forbidden white settlers in this part of the country, and this edict was enforced by federal troops. As the demand for more land was felt and as the Indians decreased in numbers, Indian territory was added to Oklahoma territory, and in 1907 it was admitted to the Union as the State of Oklahoma, adding another star to our flag, which for eleven years had contained forty-five. The state has flourished to such an extent that it has ten presidential electors, which is more than double that of many of the older states of larger size.

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BOX BOARDS WANTED—Round Edge and Square Edge, any thickness, also other factors, give size, length, weight, thickness and price. Refer to my selling agent, Russell Clark, Keene, N.H., Me. 18-59

NOTICE OF LOST BANK BOOK

Notice is hereby given that the Oxford Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit is wanted by said bank to Margaretta Elizur Smith and her son John Smith has been destroyed or lost, and that she desires to have a new book of deposit issued to her.

BETHEL & ANDOVER BANK,
By A. B. Horne, Treasurer,
Bethel, Maine, Feb. 8, 1923.

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BEGIN TODAY

Do you read "TOM" Issues From Everywhere" on the back page of the Boston Daily Globe every day?—A collection of the strangest news from all parts of the country. Have you read the Uncle Dudley Material in today's Boston Globe?

Editorial Notes
Knowledgeable men always prefer. A man may know and he has the right of ignorance and still be unable to make his own go.

FOR SALE—WANTAD

Twenty-five boxes of flour, one sack, 50 pounds; second week, 15 boxes; each additional week, 10 boxes.

Black wood more than 25¢ per board foot, 1 cent and each additional week, 1¢ cent.

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

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way for the development of Muscle Shoals without any expense to the United States. A few more months my records were best, however, before the Ford people came down again to Mother Earth and agreed to do another analysis of facts, which showed that in order to carry out the terms of Mr. Ford, the Government would be required to expend \$50,000,000 at Muscle Shoals. It was at this stage of the proceedings that Mr. Ford and Mr. Edison visited Muscle Shoals, and while in the South the Detroit manufacturer presented the issuance by the United States Government of "energy currency," or paper money, to meet the obligations imposed on the Government if it accepted his plan. This case is about the time German works were formulating an object lesson of the instability of "energy currency," and the scheme for the money fell without reference to any objective of extraction. Associates of Mr. Ford's Muscle Shoals proposal hastened to apply the soft-sell to the currency scheme.

But, prior to change, there was another day out. From the archives of the Ford work there was produced one of those fascinating historical earnings by which it can easily be proved that a single dollar of expenditure often enough could have earned sufficient money to buy the tomb and the whole works of Golgotha if a modern loan shark had arranged even so small a piece of business three thousand years ago. The Ford advocates showed how they would be in position to collect the needed money to complete Muscle Shoals, and to evidence their generosity in the matter they explained that with \$5,000,000, which is the extent of the real money they have proposed to put up, that a process of amortization would make the interest equal to the \$20,000,000 advanced by the Government, at the end of a hundred years. They never have indicated that they would put up the fifty millions.

A hundred years in the future seems good while to most men over fifty—and most Senators and Representatives righted around that mark—so when the Ford offer was figured out again the men at Capital Hill could not much see it that was apt to happen to their lifetime, or Mr. Ford's, nor he is now unity. Nevertheless, a new fact was taken. To have a sum of Mr. Ford's quality, resource, determination, courage and proved effectiveness experiment with the making of fertilizer, they then, would be an enormous benefit to the country. All the ordinary rules of procedure should be thrown aside. The argument is that Mr. Ford is a sort of a super man and that in dealing with him the country should let him do. If the waste Government property is abandoned, it is. If he wants Oxford County money he should have it. If he wants to operate auxiliary to existing laws they should be repealed so far as he is concerned. Failure this, it does the Ford advocates say there is no alternative except for the Government itself to undertake the experimentation. They do not consider the experiment as efficient as Mr. Ford. Though the tax laws are to provide the money, the Ford advocates urge them to have Mr. Ford handle the selling and marketing now given to it. One hears that the experiments being made about the moral and political collapse of Europe makes substantially this position. It has not yet happened in the United States.

THE LOSS OF OUR FORESTS

It seems about like breaking the door after the house has been broken to talk about "saving the forests" at this late day. Once the greater part of the U.S. States was covered with forests, gradually the lumbermen invaded the forest, replaced, then the Middle West, and other parts of the country. But the lumbermen's axe has claimed but a comparatively light tribute from the forests. Twenty five years ago only the big pine trees were cut, and the small timber was not considered worth while. Nature was it necessary to prevent the forests growing, and the returns received from the country agreed up to 1910 that a gain of more than 25 per cent over the experiment up to the year preceding date a year ago.

Atmospheric Fresh air, Health, Rest, Ease and Leisure, Oxford, Pa. Nature's great Works are ahead of their record of a year ago. Oxford, which for the last year hasn't got started in its work, is now leading the way, with an estimate of 112. Woods comes next with 88, and Roxbury third with 80.

In the Southern States where forest protection is unorganized, the area of forest land is said to be 1000 times the total forested in the U.S. of America. These woods are evidently part of the economy for the production of the forests, and shows that the forests of the country have at least maintained their usual need. But the encroaching in Maine has become very poor out of our original timber would has disappeared, and the Forest Service is now using studies of a rate long since as fast as we are growing it. Enclosed "Forest losses" lists the forests in many sections of the country. Many of these

forests have been converted into agricultural centers, but of their forests nothing is left. Only, we are told, is there still remaining the wood lots on farms, which very fortunately comprise nearly one-third of the remaining timber in the entire Nation.

Where lumber will be secured in the future nobody seems to know, and only a few unimpassionate foresters seem to be greatly concerned about it. They are the same ones who have stopped the trees. Shortage of timber has jumped the prices as that lumbermen now show respect for the small trees and the growing timber, with the result that processes of logging and manufacture avoid a part of the terrible waste of former times. Incidentally, recent government investigations have pursued charges to the effect that the lumber business is in the hands of monopolists and price-fixers, who are taking heavy toll from the helpless consumers. Those who persist in inquiring about the timber supply for coming years are sometimes reminded that Alaska and Siberia remain unlogged and unburned; and that they may do so while. But the most common sense answer to the question is more characteristic Americans, and the lumbermen themselves tell us now just as they did when they were in the heyday of wastage, not to "worry over it." Nevertheless, this does not answer the question of how civilization will arrange things without depending upon the forests.

IN LOVING SYMPATHY

To those nearest and dearest to Mrs. Lola Constance Hutchins

I wish to add my tribute of love and respect to the memory of this dear one. Hera was one of those exquisite, rare characters, that was ever ready to aid others, regardless of the cost to herself. Though her life here was short it was not a shortened life, but having completed the duties allotted to her, she was thus early prepared to go on with the higher work. Nor is she lost to us for the sweet influence of her life will ever be a guiding star to those who knew and loved her.

At the present we tried so hard to keep you,

And now we look ahead through blinding tears.

For surely we shall yearn to bear thy white star

Through all the coming weary years.

The gentle voice that failed to rest the baby,

That recited so quickly every childhood song,

That gave to all the sense of loving, pleasantness,

Even while her own sad heart did well night break.

The smile so dear, the bright eyes softly glowing,

We'll ever carry and know to see them now,

And we'll know that God just sent her to us.

That we might see the way to Heaven more clear.

Thy love so frail, yet strong to bear life's burdens,

The slender hands that wrought for love and home,

We'll find and sleep again soon glad to return.

In that fair land where God keeps safe his own.

She has passed away—but the sweet good will

Will fragrant odor lingers still.

The tender loves that memory brings,

The measure of patience over us rings,

We learn to follow the paths the free,

To be more like her who has gone to God.

A. K. M.
Bethel, February, 1922.

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BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS GROWING

The enrollment of boys and girls in the agricultural and home-making clubs of Maine keeps growing. The returns received from the county agents up to Feb. 1 show a gain of more than 25 per cent over the enrollment up to the corresponding date a year ago.

Allen E. Conard, Albany, Vermont.

Elmer E. Davis, Oxford, Pa.

Frank E. Kimball, Paris.

John M. Littlefield, Bremen.

George W. Morrison, Oxford.

Harlan D. Redding, Skowhegan.

Ten cases had been placed on Thursday's trial list, but two or three of these were continued because of illness or causal or other reason, and the rest were promptly dismissed when reached so that it took only a few minutes to dispose of the day's trial business.

Four cases assigned for Friday were dismissed of, as far as the jury was concerned, in a few minutes after the opening of court, and the series were suspended until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

There was only one brief hearing in the case of Willie H. Crosby of Portland vs. Carroll H. Gleason of Bridgton. The suit was brought on a note given by Gleason to payment for a place lot in Bridgton and Damariscotta. It was admitted that the note had not been paid according to its terms, but the defendant was that verbal arrangements had been made before the note was given, so that the payments need not be made except from the sale of the place as it was set. Arthur Chapman of Portland appeared for Crosby, and William L. Hale and Ralph M. Ingalls for the defense. The case was heard by Justice Merrill, but decision is not as yet rendered.

This note is guaranteed one hundred percent solid leather, color dark tan.

The actual value of this note is \$100.

Owing to this tremendous buy we can offer same to the public at \$2.50.

Send correct size. Pay postage on delivery or send money order. If above are not as represented we will fully refund your money promptly upon request.

NATIONAL RAY STATE BROS. CO.,

104 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

Friday afternoon the court adjourned

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Boy Scout Wins—Oxford County
The following Scouts have won the Honorable Mention List for 1922. They have gained this honor because they have been prominent workers in their home troops. A clean record in Scouting is their chief asset.

Bethel—James Stanley, Charles Isleton and Franklin Clark—Roy Jones, Ex. 10.

Locke—Miller Irvin Mason, ex. 7, and Harry Packard ex. 6.

Bryant's Pond—Lawrence Jordan, James Phillips and Perley Dudley.

West Paris—Stanley Perkins ex. 1, Warren Waterhouse ex. 2, Elmer Waterhouse, Edward Burnham and Frank Curtis.

South Paris—Harlan Hammond, Harry McGivney and Elmer Thurlow.

Norman—Houghton Kimball ex. 3, Amie Mater, Stanley Newton, Edwin Emmons, Howard Desota and Irving Joslin.

Oxford—George Patterson and Sylvester Pratt.

West Somers—Vernon Redding and Orell Heath.

Buckfield—Arthur Hutchinson ex. 8, Karl Pierce, Sidney Hutchinson, Wendell Atte.

Parson—Junior Johnson, Frank Patterson, Philadore Daigle, Frank Hicknell.

West Bethel—John Held and Melville Jordan.

West Paris Scouts Lead for 1922

Troop 1, West Paris, holds first place among the Oxford County troops for the year 1922. Along with this honor will go Boy Scout statuette as a trophy of a creditable year's work. The following results show why this troop holds first place.

1. Increased in membership from 14 to 20 members.

2. Thirteen second class pins, six first class pins, and 28 merit badges were awarded.

3. Ninety per cent of troop made good advancement.

4. Twenty-three Scouts attended the Oxford County Scout Camp.

5. Troop re-registered over 80 percent strong.

6. Two Scouts made county examiner.

7. One life and star Scout badge given.

Annual Banquet in Style

The month of February celebrates the 10th anniversary of Scouting. An anniversary celebration is not complete

without a banquet. Therefore, banquets are in order. Already the three

Men's troops have held a joint ban-

quet with a large attendance out. Troop 1, Kinston, was the next to line up a successful banquet held in the vestry of the Universalist church.

Eight other troops have definite plans and with a banquet as the result in the near future.

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